

Preliminary Amendment  
PCT/IE00/00084  
Attorney Docket Q67954

**REMARKS**

The application has been amended to delete the multiple dependencies therein, to provide appropriate headings for the various sections of the specification, and to delete the erroneous improper second paragraph of the abstract. Entry and consideration of this Amendment and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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## **APPENDIX**

### **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

#### **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title insert the following statement and heading as follows:

--This is a National stage entry under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of Application No. PCT/IE00/00084  
filed July 5, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

#### **BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 2, after the third full paragraph insert the heading

#### **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Page 9, after the first paragraph insert the heading

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Page 10, after the first paragraph insert the heading

#### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

#### **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-47 inclusive are canceled.

Claims 48-67 are added as new claims.

#### **IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:**

Delete the title after the heading "ABSTRACT" and delete the improper second  
paragraph of the Abstract containing the parenthetical phrase "(Figs. 1 and 3 to  
accompany the abstract)".